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Re: U.S. Patent Application No. 10/608,300

For: OPTICAL METROLOGY OF STRUCTURES FORMED ON

SEMICONDUCTOR WAFERS USING MACHINE LEARNING

SYSTEMS

By: Srinivas DODDI et al. Our reference: 50998-20055.00

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- 1. Transmittal (1 page)
- 2. Amendment Under 37 CFR 1.111 (12 pages)

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Examiner: J. Zhu

## **AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.111**

MS Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the final Office Action dated October 6, 2005, (Part of Paper No./Mail Date 092205). Although the issued Office Action indicated that the Office Action was final, following a phone interview with the undersigned, the Examiner agreed to withdraw the finality of the rejection on the basis that the Examiner had introduced new grounds for rejection. Accordingly, the present Office Action is non-final, and a response is due on January 6, 2006. Thus, this response is timely filed. Reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims, as amended, in light of the remarks presented herein are respectfully requested.

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